

Whereas the United States Government has, to date, opposed the efforts of these Americans to receive redress for the slave labor and inhumane treatment, and has not made any effort to facilitate discussions among the parties;

Whereas in contrast to the claims of the Americans who were prisoners of war in Japan, the Department of State has facilitated a settlement of the claims made against private German businesses by individuals who were forced into slave labor by the Government of the Third Reich of Germany for the benefit of the German businesses during World War II: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring).* That it is the sense of Congress that it is in the interest of justice and fairness that the United States, through the Secretary of State or other appropriate officials, put forth its best efforts to facilitate discussions designed to resolve all issues between former members of the Armed Forces of the United States who were prisoners of war forced into slave labor for the benefit of Japanese companies during World War II and the private Japanese companies who profited from their slave labor.

Agreed to December 15, 2000.

Dec. 15, 2000

[S. Con. Res. 162]

#### ENROLLMENT CORRECTION—H.R. 4577

*Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring).* That the Clerk of the House of Representatives, in the enrollment of the bill (H.R. 4577), making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 2001, and for other purposes, shall make the following correction:

In section 1(a)(4), before the period at the end, insert the following: “, except that the text of H.R. 5666, as so enacted, shall not include section 123 (relating to the enactment of H.R. 4904)”.

Agreed to December 15, 2000.

Dec. 21, 2000

[H. Con. Res. 234]

#### ENROLLED TABLED—H.R. 2466

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring).* That the enrolled copy of the bill (H.R. 2466) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, shall not be presented to the President, to the end that the bill be, and is hereby, laid on the table.

Agreed to December 21, 2000.